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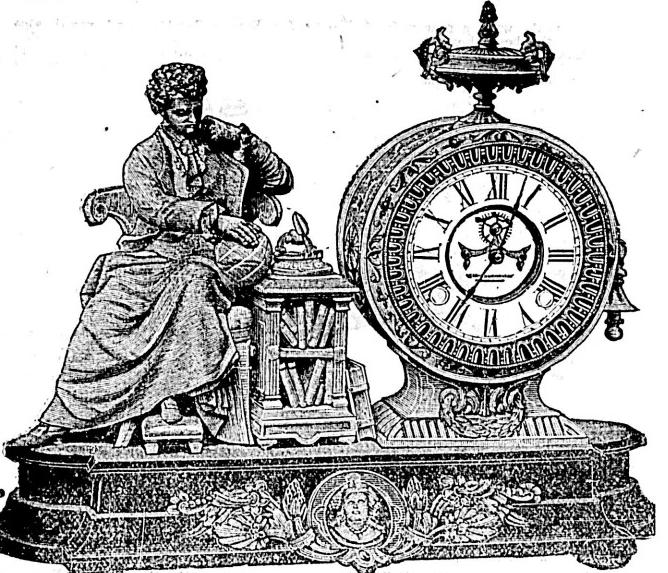
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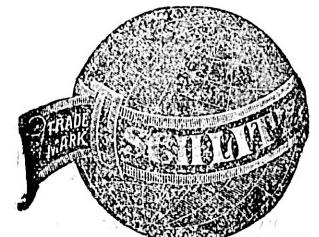


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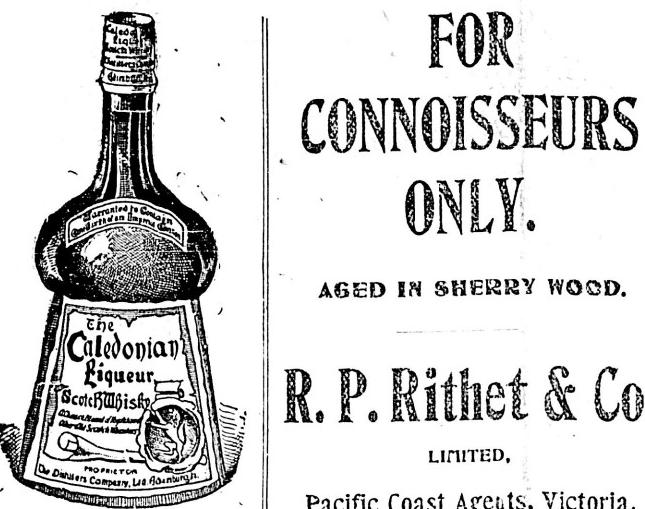
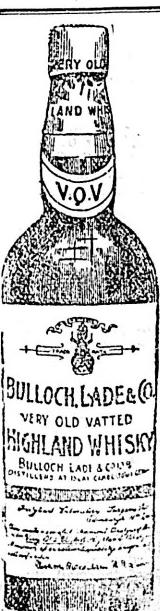
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TIDE WASHOUTS.

Railway Traffic Still Badly Impeded

in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Man., March 27.—(Special)—

Railway traffic is still considerably hampered in the West, owing to floods caused by the continuous heavy rains.

No trains arrive over the Great Northern, St. Paul, and now were disengaged from here owing to a washout from Rosenfeld Junction.

The Canadian Pacific through trains are running as usual via Souris, as they cannot use the main line between Portage la Prairie and Brandon.

—The outlook for immigration to our

Still In
Suspense

Not Yet Known How the New
Contingent Will Be
Constituted.

Officers to Be Decorated by the
Governor General Next
Wednesday.

Father O'Leary Will Likely Be
Sent to Mark Soldiers'
Graves.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 27.—Up to a late hour this afternoon no information reached the Military department from the home authorities with reference to the nature of the additional force to be sent to South Africa. It is probable nothing of a definite character will be heard until early next week, as Hon. Dr. Gordon, minister of militia, left for New York this afternoon to be present at the great military review in that city, in which the 43rd Highlanders of Toronto take part. The minister invited Col. Lord Aylmer, adjutant-general, and Col. Pinault, deputy minister, to accompany him. They will return to Ottawa next Tuesday.

Meantime the officials of the department are preparing for organizing the new contingent. The force of 2,000 men will be constituted into two or three regiments. The names of the prospective commanding officers are suggested, but at the department it is stated that they are simply guess work. Major Turner, V.C., of Quebec, is one of the latest to be mentioned in this connection.

The Department of Agriculture has been advised by the War Office not to ship any hay or supplies to South Africa during April. There is a congestion of traffic from Capetown and Port Elizabeth northward, and until this congestion has been relieved further shipments from the Dominion are to be withheld. The intimation is not unwelcome to the department, owing to the fact that masters may become somewhat disengaged at St. John owing to the loss of the Huronian, and orders have been suspended until such time as another vessel can be secured to take the Huronian's place.

The Militia department issues a notice that there will be gallery ammunition for issue on repayment until after April 1 next.

William Hespeler, speaker of the Manitoba legislature, is in the city.

Messrs. Wilson and Sugue of Dawson who were sent here to protest against the Trudgold concession, had an interview with the Premier and Mr. Sifton today, and subsequently Sir Wilfrid entertained the delegation to lunch at the Ridental club.

Father O'Leary, who has been here for some days, had an interview with the Governor-General and Countess of Minto. It is likely he will be sent to South Africa to locate the graves of Canadians and have erected over them suitable memorial stones.

In connection with a point emphasized so clearly by Mr. Clark, M.P., in his recent speech in the House of Commons, it transpires that Mr. Heisser, medical inspector for the United States, in week ending March 1, rejected 16 unfit or unhealthy immigrants, destined for points in the neighboring republic. These people are now a charge upon some community in Canada.

Goldpox is rapidly increasing in the United States, according to reports which have come from the Health department.

Another case of bubonic plague is also reported from San Francisco.

A deputation of mining engineers and others waited upon Mr. Sifton today and asked for the organization of a mining bureau or department of mines. They pointed out the importance of the mineral interests of Canada, and threw out many suggestions. Mr. Sifton promised to consider the matter. Dr. Haenel, who now holds the position of Superintendent of Mines, is mentioned as the prospective deputy head of the suggested organization.

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You will have noticed that the gross revenue from traffic has continued to show satisfactory increases, and that the net results are not very gratifying, notwithstanding the necessity for a substantial increase in the working expenses.

These needs of the proposed issue of capital stock will enable the directors to provide such increased facilities and make such improvements as will ensure a greater convenience for the public, and a marked reduction in the cost of moving traffic.

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VICTORIA DAY.

Nanaimo Already Preparing for May 24.

Nanaimo, March 27.—(Special)—At a public meeting this evening it was decided to hold a celebration here on May 24. Later it will be decided whether the celebration will cover May 23 also. Only preliminary arrangements are made yet. A meeting next week will be held to further arrangements.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

Date Not Yet Made Public—But Both Sides Preparing.

Toronto, March 27.—(Special)—The date of the election for the province is still anxiously awaited by both parties. Conventions for a few constituencies where candidates are yet unominated are being rapidly decided upon. So far no candidate has been named in ridings held by Premier Ross or the opposition leader, Mr. Whitney, but there is little expectation that either will go by acclamation.

DROWNED IN FRESHET.

Farmer's Wife Swept from Wagon by the Assiniboine.

Winnipeg, March 27.—(Special)—A Goboro despach says: Mrs. Hopkins, the wife of a farmer living eight miles north, was drowned today while endeavoring to escape from their house, which was being submerged by the rapidly rising waters of the Assiniboine river. Mrs. Hopkins was with her husband in a wagon on the way to higher ground when the box was lifted off the wagon by the water and the woman drowned.

To Lie Where

Wilson Fell

Cecil Rhodes Had Chosen An Historic Spot for His Grave.

Kimberley In Mourning And Preparations In Capetown for State Funeral.

London, March 27.—In a despatch from Capetown, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Mr. Rhodes selected the spot where he desired to be buried and instructed an architect about the memorial to be erected, when he last visited Matjiesfontein. The place of burial is a natural cairn of giant boulders, on a kopje adjoining that on which Major Wilson's little tower made its last stand. The memorial to be erected will be a prominent feature of the striking landscape.

The date of interment of the body of Mr. Rhodes is doubtful, says the correspondent, owing to the necessity of the construction of a special carriage road from Bulawayo. At present there is nothing more than a bridle path. Work on this road has already begun, but its completion will require one month.

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KNOCKED OUT.

Gans Smote Bennett on the Jaw and Ended the Fight.

Baltimore, March 27.—Joe Gans, of Baltimore, lightweight, knocked out Jack Bennett, of McKeesport, tonight in the fifth round of what was to have been a 20-round bout before the 1,000. Although Bennett started with the heavier in weight, but Gans out-generaled him. When the fifth round was about half over, Gans landed a right hook to the jaw, which knocked Bennett senseless.

SUNK BY WHALE.

Monster of the Deep Wrecks a Vessel.

New Bedford, Mass., March 27.—Word was received today by the agents of the whaling bark Kiteleen, that she was sunk at sea by a whale. Capt. Thomas J. Jenks cabled from Pernambuco, Brazil, that three out of the four boats have arrived at that place.

F. J. HAIR DEAD.

He Was a Prominent Business Man in Montreal.

Montreal, March 27.—A private despatch has been received in the city announcing the sudden death of Ald. Frank J. Hart, one of Montreal's business men. Mr. Hart was on a visit to California, and was on his return journey.

BRITAIN AND AFGHANISTAN.

Friendliest Relations Exist Between the Countries.

Calcutta, March 27.—During the discussion of the budget before the vice-regal council, Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, the viceroy of India, mentioning Afghanistan, said that the friendliest relations existed between Great Britain and the Amur.

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WEAVERS STRIKE.

Twenty-Seven Thousand Operators Out in Rhode Island.

Woonsocket, R. I., March 27.—The weavers of the Saranac mills of the American Woolen Co. at Blackstone, Mass., left their looms today, a conference with Supt. Merrin on the two loom question having been held without satisfactory results. The action gives the Olneyville strikers of the company, who went out several weeks ago, the cooperation which they have been endeavoring to obtain, and brings the total number of strikers in the Rhode Island mills of the company up to 27,000.

POLITICS.

Protest Filed Against Stewart in Ligar against Usual Charges.

Winnipeg, March 27.—The Liberals of the New Ontario constituency of Fort William and Lake of the Woods met in convention at Rat Portage today and nominated D. C. Cameron, of Rat Portage, as candidate for the Ontario legislature.

A protest was filed today in the courts against the election of D. A. Stewart, Liberal member for Ligar, Manitoba. The petition is filed on behalf of Richardson, one of the defeated candidates, and makes charges of bribery and corruption.

PRINCESS RADZIWILL.

Woman Accused of Forging Rhodes' Name Committed for Trial.

Capetown, March 27.—The hearing of the charges against Princess Radzivill, who is accused of forgery in connection with notes purporting to have been signed by Cecil Rhodes, was resumed today.

The Princess, who was apparently in good health and spirits, testified in her own behalf. She was committed for trial. Bail in £2,500 was furnished by her, and two securities.

Evidence submitted by the prosecution showed that last August Princess Radzivill received two telegrams from Capetown at Kenilworth, Cape Colony, purporting to be from B. A. Hawkesley, counsel for the British Chartered South African company. The Princess subsequently bribed a junior clerk in the telegraph office at Kenilworth for 10 shillings to insert London as the office of origin of the telegrams. She then obtained the necessary signature of attorneys as claimants from the solicitor of Mr. Rhodes. This was with the object of securing a low rate of discount on a bill for £2,500. Mr. Rhodes cables advertisements to South Africa newspapers, in which he repudiated his signature to all bills, but Princess Radzivill afterwards attempted to discount notes for £3,000 and £6,000. The indictment against the Princess includes 17 counts for forgery and fraud and a charge of contravention of the Telegraph Act.

Vancouver, March 27.—(Special)—An Indian named Jack, False Creek reserve, fell from False Creek bridge tonight. His dead body was found floating in the water shortly after. He was killed in falling by striking his head against the abutment of the bridge.

The Liberal association met tonight and passed a resolution urging the government at Victoria to take action regarding the Westminster, Vancouver & Northern and the V. V. & E.

The Loggers' association and lumbermen and shingle manufacturers met tonight and arranged details regarding the classification of logs under the new Sealing Act.

In his first case at Vancouver, Chief Justice Hunter sustained the city by compelling Chinamen to adopt other means of sprinkling their wash clothes than by spraying from the mouth.

John Card, the victim of the Toba instant shooting, is so seriously ill that his deposition will be taken by W. J. Bowser, K. C., for the province, in the presence of the suspected murderer Takam.

It is common rumor among the C. P. R. railway employees that Superintendent Whyte has been offered the position of general manager of the Canadian Northern system. The rumor could not be confirmed.

Rose Coghlan played to a good house in Vancouver last night. The audience were appreciative.

**Will Remain
In Manchuria**

Russia Determined to Stay Despite the Anglo-Japanese Treaty.

And Germany Will Not Take Any Final Stand Against the Czar.

London, March 28.—In a despatch from Moscow, the correspondent of the Daily Graphic gives an interview with a Russian staff officer who has returned from Amur, Siberia. The correspondent quotes this officer as saying that the Anglo-Japanese alliance has sealed the political destiny of Manchuria, which says the officer, will never pass out of Russia's possession. The brigandage rampant there will be used as justification for the retention of a powerful Russian army. After the brigands have been suppressed, the Russians will remain in Manchuria to protect their railway and secure peace in Northern China. The correspondent of the Daily Graphic says that this staff officer declared that to his certain knowledge a fully detailed plan for the civil and military administration of Manchuria has already been elaborated and will receive the Czar's sign manual in due course.

Cabling from Shanghai, the correspondent of the Standard says that Dr. W. A. P. Martin, former president of the Imperial university at Peking, having left China after his dismissal from Peking university, Chang Chi Tsui will send a telegram tomorrow to Dr. Martin at Vancouver, requesting him to return as president of the university at Wu Wong and foreign advisor to all the Chinese high officials in the provinces of Hupeh and Hunan.

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RATEMAN WINS.

Gets Eight Hundred Dollars for Libel Suit from Vancouver.

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QUIRK MURDER.

Nothing Yet to Shed Sight on the Mystery.

Brantford, Ont., March 27.—(Special)—Nothing to clear away the mystery surrounding the death of Quirk developed at the inquest tonight, and the fact that an adjournment of three weeks was asked for by the Crown would seem to show only that the authorities have an extremely difficult case on hand, but are determined to make the most thorough investigation. The stories of all the witnesses so far practically agree upon the main incident of Sunday night last, and if the Crown has any important evidence to offer it has not yet seen fit to produce it. Those who were known to be up in the hotel just around the time the murder was committed have given their testimony, and from their statements the murdered man was out of sight not more than 10 minutes. The doctor, who performed the autopsy, has not yet been called to give evidence as to the cause of death.

TO AVERT STRIKE.

Conference Between Coal Workers and Mine Owners.

New York, March 27.—Mine workers and mine owners of the anthracite field debated their differences for four hours today in a conference arranged by the conciliation committee of the national civic federation, but the meeting was without result, save that the workers agreed not to strike on April 1, as decreed by the Shamokin convention.

There is to be further friendly discussion between the two interests, and Senator Hanna, as chairman of the industrial department of the federation, was empowered to call another conference at any favorable time within the next 30 days.

The workers asked for an increase in pay, shortening of the working hours to eight hours a day, and the adoption of a code for the entire district. The operators refused to grant such demands as to time and day, and declined to permit the complete unionization of their properties. The operators offered to meet employees with grievances at any time, but insisted that there be no distinction between union and non-union men. They also asserted that present market conditions did not warrant any increase in wages or a decrease in working time.

Senator Hanna, Oscar Straus and Frank Dunne, a sub-committee named by the conciliators, arranged for the conference, which was held at the Church Mission house. The operators present were W. H. Truesdale; president of the D. L. & W. railway; E. L. Thomas, chairman of the Board of Erie railway; Geo. S. Baer, of the Reading road, and Robert Olyphant, president of the D. & R. Railway company, while the spokesman for the miners were John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, and three delegates from the Miners' Federation. Thomas Nicholas, John Fahy and Thomas Duffy. The discussion covered the entire situation. When Senator Hanna came from the conference room, he said, in the course of a short interview: "An agreement seems likely."

President Mitzel sent a telegram to the secretaries of the anthracite districts tonight, explaining what the conference did and saying: "We are hopeful that questions at issue will be satisfactorily adjusted and strike averted."

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EASTER.

As its name signifies, the festival of Easter is not of Greek or of Greco-Latin origin, but is of common origin, being the survival of a festival which far predated the introduction of the Christian religion. The word itself simply means what it says, and in its employment to designate a festival, the dawn of day, the rising of the sun in the East, is used to typify the resurrection of natural life which marks the coming of spring, and the return of the sun in its orbit, into more intimate relations with the northern hemisphere. From the earliest ages men's hearts have been mysteriously affected by the miracle of spring, the return of sap to the boughs, of productive energy to the soil, and of creative power to the whole of nature. Even to the most primitive man there has always been a sense of joy and of triumph in the victory of life over death and a recognized analogy between his destiny of decay and death, and the triumphant resurrection of natural life visible in the spring season. Consequently, the festival of Easter, with its mourning over death followed by its triumphant glorification of resurrection, is grounded deep upon the essential faith of mankind as to the purpose of human life, and upon men's rejection of the idea that life is absolutely futile and bounded and measured by decay. This conception was never more beautifully expressed than by Francis Bacon, where he compares man to the Indian fig tree, whose branches decline downwards and take root, becoming "roots in their own stock." "So man," he says, "liveth first the life of a tree, drawing nourishment as a plant, and made ripe for earth, is sown again in his mother, the earth, where he perisheth not, but expects a quickening." The Christian religion, in adopting and perpetuating the festival of Easter, applied it to the specific hope of resurrection, which is a cardinal tenet of our faith, and which is typified by the conquest of our Saviour over death and the grave. There are those so narrow a mind, those to whom the mysteries of our religion are so little more than an excuse for the grossest superstition, that they would discover a suggestion of impiety in the facts of history, and find guilty of irreverence anyone who would assert that Christianity merely exemplified and made specific the dim aspirations towards immortality of all the human race. To them the idea that Christianity merely borrowed and adapted the festival of Easter will savor of irreverence if not of infidelity. We prefer to take a broader and more reasonable ground, nor can we defend ourselves better than by that magnificent passage of De Quincy, written certainly in another connection: "Then first, when it had become necessary to the purposes of a spiritual religion that the spirit of man, as the fountain of all religion, should, in some commensurate reflex image, have its grandeur and mysteriousness emblazoned, suddenly, the

pomp and mysterious paths of winds and tempests blowing whither they list and from what fountain no man knows, are cited from darkness and neglect, to give and to receive reciprocally an impassioned glorification, where the lower emblems enshrine and illustrate the higher." So we would apply to the adoption of the Easter festival by Christianity a more than accidental relation with the renewal of life in nature, and designate it as a vitally emblematic celebration, where the lower emblems enshrine and illustrate the higher, and where they give and receive reciprocally an impassioned glorification.

THE EASTER RECESS.

Yesterday our wearied legislators agreed to take a holiday extending over ten days. This will enable them to go home and ponder over their duties and responsibilities. We do not know why they should be termed "weary legislators," except that it is a conventional phrase, unless, indeed, they are weary with listening to the orations of the member for Rossland. Then, indeed, the phrase has a very real meaning, as well as a conventional significance. That gentleman has been a most pronouncedly obstructive member of the House. His object in politics, if he has any object, seems to be to prevent anything from being done. It would be difficult to point to any single useful or important political principle he has enunciated, or to any material amendment or improvement in legislation he has carried. He cannot escape on the ground that he is a member of the opposition. Members of the opposition always influence legislation in often a salutary fashion, if not by their votes, by reason of their criticism and sound judgment. But the member for Rossland appears to have started out upon the Herculean task of making the whole political history of British Columbia, down to the smallest detail, conform to the undiscovorable similitude of his own intelligence. Naturally his suggestions are negatived, by an assembly which does not understand his mental attitude, because it cannot, and which would not care to adopt if it could. We are seriously afraid that the spectre of the member for Rossland will interfere between the members and their well-earned repose; that it will haunt their rest with an inevitable reminder that they must return shortly to Victoria and to him. What a cunker in the bud of a renewing spring, what a bitter reflection to poison the joys of home, the pleasures of business, or the delightful labors of agriculture! Every Legislative Assembly has its boses, but only the British Columbia legislature a Curtis. He has taxed the patience and forbearance of the members of the House, both government and opposition, to the uttermost. He is beyond suggestion, repression or reproof. Now they have received ten days' respite. We conjure them to forget him for ten days, lest they should return to their labors unrefreshed by their holiday, and incapable of carrying on the business of the country.

LACROSSE.

Lacrosse is purely a Canadian game; in fact, it is the Canadian game. It is, besides, a most beautiful sport, one certainly which makes great demands on the wind and limbs of the players, but one which presents a most perfect spectacle of athletic rivalry when properly played. It has been said that Great Britain's military pre-eminence is due to the athletic training received by Great Britain's sons. That is very likely true; and it is also very likely true that the quickness of eye, readiness of invention and endurance of Canadian troops are a legacy from the lacrosse field. Therefore, it is a duty and a privilege to support the game. The Victoria Lacrosse Club is to be congratulated on the success of its exertions during last season to place the game on a solid footing in Victoria. Every club depends very largely upon its officers, and all true lovers of sport will be ready to give Mr. W. E. Ditchburn, the president, and Mr. Colin Plain, the secretary, a full meed of praise for their unselfish and untiring exertions on behalf of the Lacrosse Club last year. In another direction the Victoria players accomplished good work. Lacrosse has always been in danger of falling into disrepute through the indulgence in horse play and foul fighting. Nothing kills a game quicker, because those things are hostile in themselves to any idea of clean sport. The Victoria players last year showed that they could play fair lacrosse, and they actually did play the champion team of Canada to a standstill, the game resulting in a draw, without a single unpleasant incident, or serious injury to any of the players. That is the way to build up a game; keeping true to the idea of sport, and the Victoria players are certainly entitled to the most generous support of the community, and we hope they will receive it, in their endeavors to maintain one of the finest games in the world in a flourishing condition.

There are some things which are beyond us. We understand that Mr. Smith Curtis was excessively indignant at a suggestion that the Legislature should stand adjourned while the Royal Commission now in session was investigating his charge against the personal honor of the members of the government. And yet we have him yesterday making a tearful complaint to the Attorney-General that he could not be in two places at once. What does he want? Did he desire that the House should be adjourned when he wished to attend the sittings of the commission, and the commission adjourned when he wished to attend the sittings of the House? That is the only way in which his previous attitude in reference to an adjournment of the House could be reconciled with his complaint of yesterday. The question may be suggested as to where the men whose characters had been attacked would come in? Mr. Curtis makes a great parade of being fair-minded. We should dislike very much having to submit to his ideas of justice if he were in a position to enforce them.

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, but it is weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pill, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.**POINT ELLICE BRIDGE.**

Sir: The tenders in the late go-as-you-please competition give us some guide as to what may be expected in the near future. The Puget Sound people had some 14 combinations or prices varying from \$75,000 to \$110,000. The Donnan company, after adding, say, \$35,000 to substructure, estimate at about \$81,000, and the Cleveland company, in the same way, from \$78,295 to \$82,252, and our own Albion Iron Works at \$147,500. Now, if the competition is upon a foreign engineer's plan, for which we pay duty, but excluding by way of consistency all foreign bridge builders, we may expect the bridge to cost about \$100,000, exclusive of temporary traffic arrangements and making up approach roads. Of this sum some 75 per cent will be sent out of the town in foreign material carriage and duty paid; the crushed stone and labor of mixing will fill Victoria's share in the outlay. The structure will have to be so light that, as concrete, it could not stand alone; there would not be sufficient material enough to absorb the vibration of the timbered foundations of the pier which will set in within a few years. This once extraneous load will insidiously proceed, and soon extraneous load or unusual location would wreck the structure. It is estimated to cost from \$142,000 to \$160,000, and to require a further outlay of some \$50,000 per annum for maintenance. How would it look when finished? If left rough it would be rough indeed; if plastered over the plaster would settle on with the action of wet and frost, and look well—Victorian Granite, on the other hand, is simply solid, massive and fit in appearance, absolutely permanent, needing no repair containing no elements of possible weakness; equal to all possible emergencies and the production of the place; the cost probably little more than the concrete.

All the money, by proper arrangement, could be spent in our own midst, every dollar passing through the hands of some taxpayer, another. The simple question is: Which is the best in the true interests of Victoria? If we don't look sharp after our own interests, who will? THOS. C. SORBY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY SITE.

Sir: Shortly after the generous offer of Mr. Carnegie for a library was made public, some modest, but far-sighted, citizen was good enough to suggest that the James Bay flats be chosen as the library site. When I first considered this, I thought it would be better to choose a place which would be more easily accessible to the public. Hence my offer to the royal contractor entered into by the provincial government with the syndicate familiarly known as "Mackenzie & Mann," who are now engaged in the Canadian Northern railway line towards the Pacific coast. Having confidence in the good faith of the two contracting parties, the people of Victoria endorsed this rally-way proposed by electing Col. Prior to add the government to carrying it out. The government was accordingly placed in the face of long-contested and energetic struggle of the part of the opposition. It may therefore be accepted without question that the endorsement of that scheme by Victoria, and that of the royal contractor, was given in the interest of the public welfare, and that the public welfare was the chief object of the rally-way.

This is fully apparent to the readers of the daily press, and I am of the belief that the great majority of these readers, like myself, are thoroughly satisfied with the result.

As a reader of the daily papers, I most emphatically resent the insult to my intelligence contained in an editorial in the Times last evening. The individual who wrote the article, I do not know, but it is clear that the author of the article is ignorant of the fact that his readers are devoid of common sense and ordinary reasoning powers, otherwise he would not have given publicity to statements that are often repeated by persons of the highest rank and character. He asks his readers to believe that the members of the government, and especially Col. Prior, are political tricksters; that the Premier is a political trickster; that the royal contractor is a political trickster; that the royal contractor has fulfilled his promise to the public, and that the scheme will be a benefit to the public. This is all that the Times can say in defense of the royal contractor.

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The Women's Auxiliary

Monthly Meeting Held at the City Hall on Tuesday Afternoon.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer and Visiting Committee For Month.

The regular meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, Royal Jubilee Hospital, took place Tuesday at the City hall. There were present Mrs. A. T. Smith, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, 12 members of the society, and the secretaries. Mrs. James Dunsmuir, Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, Mrs. Bachet and Miss Ward were also welcomed.

The meeting opened with prayer, after which the reports were called for and read as follows:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Madam President and Ladies: In fulfillment of the directions received from you at the last meeting of this society, the following letter was written to the Board of Directors, at their meeting on March 1st:

Gentlemen—I am directed by the president and executive of the Women's Auxiliary, to inform you that they have in hand the sum necessary to provide a suitable sterilizing apparatus at the Royal Jubilee hospital, and, in face of its urgent necessity to beg your consideration and permission that the work of insuring the same may be proceeded with immediately.

I am further directed to ask if there is a near prospect of your kind promise to the children's ward being fulfilled.

While the ladies fully realize the many needs and difficulties to which you have to give an equal consideration, they venture to bring before you the fact that, until some actual steps are taken on this behalf, their further activities remain crippled, since it is impossible for them to continue their appeals and combined energies, in aid of the Maternity ward, until their friends, in the public generally, see some result from their past assistance and generosity.

Furthermore, such is the confidence held by the Ladies' committee, in these friends, both public and private, that they believe, should the necessary additions and improvements (in which they have so earnestly labored to assist you) once commenced, they would be most generously encouraged, and carried out to a glorious completion.

I am, gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

B. M. HASELL.

Secretary Women's Auxiliary. To this letter a reply has been received as follows:

Mrs. B. M. Hasell, Secretary Women's Auxiliary:

Madam—At a meeting of the directors of the hospital, held last evening, I had the honor to present your favor of the 1st inst. in regard to the improvements which the ladies have been working for. The directors recognize themselves bound by their promise to provide the children's ward as soon as possible, and have given months of careful examination into ways and means. It will be in view of the many improvements made that systematic policy should be adopted before proceeding, and to this end a comprehensive report was prepared, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, by direction. From this document you will observe that all the contemplated improvements will involve an outlay of \$31,400 towards which there is only \$11,000 in sight. I may also call your attention to the fact that the children's ward is the first improvement upon the list. At last evening's meeting the ladies offer of a sterilizer was referred to the House committee, and no further delay need be anticipated in carrying out that measure.

Yours respectfully,

F. ELWORTHY.

Secretary. I have also here for your consideration Mr. Tait's estimates for dinner wagons, and for doors, amounting in all to a sum of \$40.

Your committee have again done splendid service during the month, with the result that the following articles will be presented to the hospital, as an Easter offering: 10 dozen pillow cases; five dozen ward bags, three dozen roller towels, six dozen pneumonia jackets, three dozen fomentation wringers, six flannel dressing jackets, and from the Daughters of Pity, dainty pin cushions and drawn linens, dressing table and wash stand covers. The ladies attending this committee are as follows: Mrs. A. J. Smith, Mrs. M. T. Appleby, Mrs. C. S. Baxter, Mrs. W. W. Boulton, Mrs. F. S. Barnard, Mrs. Mara, Mrs. Thirkle, Mrs. Foster Barkam, Mrs. W. Dutles, Mrs. Gethin, Mrs. G. H. Muir, Mrs. McTernan, Mrs. Brodbeck, Mrs. S. M. Seabrook, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Stadthagen, Mrs. Gladning, Mrs. Titton, Mrs. Solly, Miss Angus, Miss Dunsmuir, Miss Potts, Miss Austin, Miss Wallston, Miss Hiscock, Miss Todd, Miss Alkman, Miss Schell. Work has also been taken at home by Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. Loewen, Mrs. Ryker, Mrs. Redfern, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Glad Callow, Mrs. Royds, Mrs. Raynor, Mrs. Charles Vernon, Miss Harvey, and Mrs. Wilkinson, Miss Low, and Miss Heisterman.

I have received per Mr. Vigor the sum of \$20, paid by the Native Sons and Daughters, respectively, for the use of your decorations and properties in the Assembly Hall on the occasion of the recent entertainments; also a check for \$20.00 from Alderman G. H. Barnard, contributed towards your working fund.

In conclusion, may I remind all members and friends that flowers and flowering plants will be most thankfully received at the hospital, on Friday and Saturday of this week. Let us all remember that those who are confined by sickness, or duty, have not the same opportunity of enjoying the Easter festival as have those who are strong and free. Surely no more beautiful offering can be made at this season than one which shows forth the promise of resurrection and life to those who, without this hope, would be sick and sad indeed.

Respectfully submitted,

B. M. HASELL.

Secretary. Ladies, we your visiting committee for the past month, have pleasure in reporting as follows: We were at the hospital and were shown over the same by the matron, with every kindness and attention. We found everything in good order, but we noticed that the work on the sterilizing room had not yet been commenced. The matron asked for cups, saucers, plates, and feeding cups.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. ROBERTSON.

FANNY GRIFFITH.

Discussion ensued regarding the sterilizing room, children's ward, and proposed improvements at the hospital. The ladies passed a resolution thanking the directors for their courteous letter, and accompanying reports and plans for the said improvements, and declared themselves ready to assist in the furthering of these by any possible means in their power.

On the motion of Mrs. W. W. Boulton, several ladies cheerfully volunteered to attend the hospital weekly in turns of duty to assist in the general mending and repairing, and the secretary was directed to procure with the order for another dinner wagon and the doors and blinds, as reported, committee was reminded that Friday next will be the last afternoon on which it is called to meet, and a large attendance is begged, so that the work undertaken may be handed

complete to the hospital for Easter. Old time is very much needed at the hospital, and will be gratefully received.

After congratulations upon a most successful and interesting meeting, an adjournment was called until Tuesday, April 29.

Mrs. Ryker and Mrs. R. Seabrook were appointed visitors for the month.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Origin of the Yearly Commemoration of the Crucifixion.

Good Friday, the usual English name for the day observed throughout the greater part of Christendom as the anniversary of the passion and death of Christ, is being celebrated by the usual special services in the churches of this city today, as well as by the usual fishing parties, to which for many years the day has been especially devoted.

The origin of the custom of yearly commemoration of the crucifixion is involved in some obscurity, although it may be regarded as almost certain that amongst the first Christians, the Church in Jerusalem, it almost imperceptibly grew out of the old habit of annually celebrating the Passover of Egypt on the 14th day of the month Nissan, and of the observing of the "days of unleavened bread" from the 15th to the 21st of that month. In the Gentile churches on the other hand, it seems to be well-established that originally no yearly cycle of festivals and feasts was known at all. The weekly observance of the Lord's Day, however, became universal as early as late in the 1st century, and the practice of giving special penitence to Easter Sunday was well established in England and Western Europe, with a hundred years after the Lord's death.

Upon this point, however, for many years some divergence of opinion existed between the Christians of Europe and of Asia, and it was not until 325 A. D. that a circular letter was framed at the council of Nicæa urging a uniform observance of Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

From the earliest period of its observance the day was marked by a specially rigorous fast, as well as by a tendency towards greater simplicity in the public church services. The altars and vestments were draped in black, this being the only day in the church's year that this color was tolerated, and the "seven last words" of the Saviour were the accustomed topics of meditation.

In the Greek church, the Good Friday fast is excessively strict;

and in Lutheran churches the organ is silent for that day.

Amongst the Presbyterians and the dissenters in the Old Country, this day, though not observed for centuries, is now beginning to be accorded some measure of recognition.

GAZETTE NOTICES.

Appointments to Provincial Civil Service—Other Official Notifications.

Yesterday's issue of the provincial Gazette contains notice of the appointment of Dr. Hoops, of 150-Mile House, as coroner for the province; J. B. Bird, of Glenemna, and J. C. Keith of Vancouver, as justices of the peace, and Constable R. B. Venner, of Camp McKinney, as chief license inspector of South East Yale license district.

The prospectus of the Wolverhampton Art and Industrial exhibition to be held during the coming summer, is published.

Macdonald and Heisterman give notice of their intention to apply for a private bill to confirm and enlarge the powers of the Phoenix Water Supply company, and Robertson and Robertson, of a bill to incorporate a company to build a railway from Victoria to Seymour Narrows.

Joseph A. Moore, of Ladner, has signed.

G. L. Smellie, of Vancouver, has been appointed attorney for the Canada Permanent & Western Canada Mortgage corporation, in place of Caesar J. Manning, and Messrs. Charles Wilson, J. H. Senkarik and Edgar Blundell, attorneys for the Dahlberg & Tamm Mining & Exploration company, limited, in place of Thomas Dunn, limited, of Vancouver.

Messrs. J. Carson, J. Kofod, J. Prescott, J. Rose and J. Boyle have formed the Gold House Partnership, limited.

IN VENEZUELA.

Report of a Battle—Warned Out of British Ports.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, March 27.—It was learned here today that the Venezuelan government has received a report to the effect that Gen. Varela defeated the revolutionists under Montilla in the state of Coro, who have been trying to effect a junction with Gen. Riera. Gen. Riera is said to have suffered heavy losses at the hands of the government forces.

News reached here today that the British legation in Caracas has notified the government of Venezuela that the governor of the British island of Trinidad has been instructed not to permit the presence of the revolutionary steamer Bolívar at Port of Spain, in the British West Indies in the future.

Under these instructions the Bolívar will not be allowed to call at Port of Spain. She will probably leave Venezuelan waters immediately. She may proceed to the French island of Martinique. The execution of these orders will place the revolutionary steamer in a critical situation.

Venezuelan officials consider that the usefulness of the Bolívar to the revolutionists is greatly hampered because of the presence at Port of Spain of the Venezuelan gunboats Miranda, Bolívar and Zamboador. These vessels are under steam day and night and are ready to attack the revolutionary ship outside British waters.

Pupils' Dance.—The pupils of Mrs. E. P. Trimen will give a dance in the A. O. U. W. hall on Thursday next. The last dance was very successful, and on this occasion the affair will be on a more elaborate scale, it being eagerly anticipated. Mrs. Lester's break-up dance will be held in Assembly Hall on May 2.

DRAWING TO CLOSE.

Results of the Latest Games in the J. B. A. Ping-Pong Tourn. y.

The following are the results listed in the J. B. A. ping-pong tournament: J. B. Trimen, owes, 15, beat R. Fell, scratch, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

J. B. Trimen set up when the final game was played.

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PING-PONG.

Bank Employees Won the Tournament in Assembly Hall, Wednesday Evening.

The ping-pong tournament between employees of the Bank of British North America and R. P. Ritchet & Co., resulted in a victory for the bank by nine games, after some very close and exciting play. The best game was the one between Clay and Lewin. Clay won the first set, 6-3, but Lewin, who was playing steadily, captured the second, 6-4. The third set was won by a battle royal, first one player won when the other led, and at five games all, it was a tie-one's match. The score crept up to vantage all and then Clay tipped a ball over the net which did not bounce, and the game was his. The complete scores were as follows: Clay beat Lewin, 6-3, 4-6, 6-5; Gresley beat A. E. Redfern, 6-5, 6-2, 6-2; Keefer beat Rickaby, 6-0, 6-1; Lawson beat Harris, 6-4, 6-4; Gresley beat Clay, 6-4, 6-3; Lewin beat Redfern, 6-2, 6-2; Rickaby beat Harris, 6-1, 6-5; Harris beat Clay, 6-4, 6-3; A. E. Redfern beat Keefer, 6-1, 6-2; Lewin

PASSION MUSIC.

Sacred Cantata to Be Presented Tonight at St. John's.

The sacred cantata "The Way of the Cross," by Ferris Tozer, Mrs. Doc. Oxon, will be given tonight at St. John's church. It will be remembered that the rendering of this work was postponed from Wednesday night owing to the indisposition of Mrs. G. Hicks, who takes the soprano solos. The other soloists are Miss Laura Loewen, who will take the contralto part; Mr. Albert Goward, tenor, and Mr. Herbert Kent, baritone. These well known vocalists will be heard together in an unaccompanied quartette, "Hear My Cry, O God!" a most beautiful number, to which is largely attributable the prominent position this work has taken in English musical centres, although all the solos and choruses are far above common and through as much tuneful music as has been imparted by the composer to the music as is compatible with its special character. Mr. Arthur Longfield will sing at the organ.

It is hard to conceive of Blanche Walsh wielding a greater influence over people, or giving vent to her magnetism more potently than in the character roles of Shakespearian plays. He is the star of the play "La Madelaine," which she will present at the Victoria theatre on next Tuesday evening, she is said to have been furnished with a part that runs the gamut of every emotion and that is so strong, original and intense as to supply her with greater opportunity for the display of her undisputed talents than she has ever had before. The play is by J. W. D. Dam, a well known Eastern newspaper writer. The character, which has been given to Walsh, is that of a brilliant and beautiful young member of the Paris half-world, who falls in love with an English young man, but is persuaded to sacrifice her affection in order that he may make arrangements in his own sphere of life. In this respect the plays bears a slight resemblance to "Camille." The piece requires an elaborate production, and will be interpreted by a company of over 30 people.

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Pterostrophic Office,
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SYNOPSIS.

An extensive high barometer area is slowly spreading over the Pacific coast from the ocean. It is causing fine weather throughout the western portion of the continent, and high northerly winds on the coast of California. Showers have occurred in Alberta, and more rain has fallen in Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

Victoria ... 42 50
New Westminster 38 50
Kingsland 34 46
Barkerville 32 42
Calgary 22 30
Winnipeg 36 43
Portland, Ore. 44 53
San Francisco, Cal. 48 58

FORECASTS.
For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 27.
5 p.m., 43 Mean..... 45
Noon, 48 Highest..... 50
5 p.m., 50 Lowest..... 41

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m., 3 miles west.
Noon, 10 miles southwest.
5 p.m., 12 miles south.
Average of winds 5 miles per hour.

Sunshine—9 hours 36 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed..... 30.302
Corrected..... 30.320

NOW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected..... 30.30

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Butcher of Dawson, are guests at the Dominion hotel.

W. B. Milne, a real estate agent of Everett, is staying at the Dominion.

Lionel H. Webster, formerly of this city, has been appointed inspector of mines of the Transvaal.

E. C. Smith, assistant city treasurer, is recovering.

Miss Alice Haughton left this morning on her way to Steveston.

The sister of the late W. H. Oliver of San Francisco, a large owner of Victoria realty, is in the city, a guest of Mrs. H. M. Dunleavy.

D. Staged and bride of Seattle, who are registered at the Victoria hotel, are spending a portion of their honeymoon in this city.

Capt. Pederson of S. S. Telus, now loading coal at Ladysmith, is staying at the Dawson hotel.

W. C. Raymond of the Seattle Barge company, is a guest at the Victoria hotel, the leading grocers of Vancouver, is a guest at the Vernon.

T. Lorne McAlen, a Montreal commercial man, is registered at the Vernon hotel.

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CLERGY.

CHEAP RESIDENCE FOR SALE.

A good two-story house, with a lot and a half, situated on South Turner Street, with good garden, for sale for a few days for \$1,800. **This is a Bargain.**

PEMBERTON & SON, 45 Fort Street

Taking Evidence

(Continued From Page One.)

Mr. Justice Walkem refused to adjourn the commission for such reason, and proceeded to have Mr. Greenshields swear.

Mr. Greenshields began by stating that he had in connection with this contract acted on behalf of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann solely. All through the negotiations with the government he had represented these people while the rights of the province had been in the hands of the Attorney-General. Since the negotiations with the government had been under way, he had always been on the other side. The Canadian Northern, under their contract, could only build up to the Yellowhead Pass, as the charter to the Coast was held by the Edmonton & Yukon company, and so the contract had to be made with them.

Any such thing as a dual capacity he absolutely denied, for while it was true that he had represented the province, that was only true regarding other matters, and not with this one. He had represented the province with reference to the question of better terms, which the government was striving to obtain from the Ottawa government. Again touching the proposed purchase of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo road, he had represented Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, and not the government of the province, or the Premier. So far the negotiations for the purchase had amounted to nothing, but the New York parties had not yet had much chance to discuss so important a transaction, and something might come of it yet. He himself might go to New York and see General Hubbard. The details of the offer should not be considered, be made public, as so far that was a matter between Mr. Dunsuir and himself.

Mr. Bond suggested that this was a material point, and His Lordship thought that Mr. Greenshields might just as well tell all about it.

Continuing, then, Mr. Greenshields stated that Mr. Dunsuir was willing to sell out the whole property, line terminals, stations, telegraph, rolling stock, etc., for \$2,000,000, and to turn over the Comox & Cape Scott road for nothing. When the matter had come up first, he had found Mr. Dunsuir unwilling to sell the property, and it had reached its present stage. The government, however, had played absolutely no part in this matter, and throughout it all he had acted as the agent of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann. The negotiations had been conducted by means of interviews and were not in writing.

To Mr. Bond's question, Mr. Greenshields replied that there was no correspondence between himself and the government, or any member of it with reference to this railway contract. There was nothing in writing except the details of the contract themselves, nor had there been any preliminary negotiations before he had come out here. While acting for the British Columbia government regarding the securing of better terms from the Dominion government, he had met Mr. Wells in Montreal last October. They had gone to Toronto together, and had talked over the question of railways with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, when it had been determined that he and Mr. Mann should go out to the Coast in the winter. Afterwards he had seen a telegram from the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, asking him to come out and bring Mr. Mann along. This was some time in February.

He had represented Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann for quite a while in their railway operations, and had often discussed British Columbia railway matters with them. That firm had been loathe, however, to set about extending their railway system to the coast, because of the unsettled state of provincial politics. He had, however, endeavored to persuade them that the government possessed sufficient strength to carry on a stable administration, and that it would be safe for contractors to go ahead under them.

There were no writings connected with the negotiations, as so far as the contract was concerned one for ten millions was quite as simple as one for ten dollars. It was in either case a matter of but two or three seconds. He had never had any written instructions from Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann.

With the American shareholders in the Esquimalt & Nanaimo road he had not as yet had any dealings, but he understood that Mr. Shepherd, who represented them, had declined to enter into any negotiations regarding the sale.

He then offered to produce any documents which were in his possession, but added that the draft contracts were about all that there were. This lead to another appeal from Mr. Bond for all the documents in the case, whether from Mr. Greenshields, the government, or from any other source.

Mr. Curtis then complained that the notice of the sitting of the commission had not been sufficiently long, as it had not given him a chance to prepare his case and to consult his counsel as to its details. He then requested to be permitted to cross-examine Mr. Greenshields, to which the Judge readily consented.

Mr. Curtis then asked the witness if he had represented the government between the 25th of February and the 10th of March of this year, to which Mr. Greenshields replied that he had, but only in the specific way already explained.

Mr. Curtis—not in connection with their railway negotiations?

Mr. Greenshields—"No."

Mr. Curtis—"Then if the statement were made by a minister of the crown that in this matter you were the accredited agent of the government, that would not be true?"

This question led to considerable cross-firing, and Mr. Greenshields could not get to say more than that he was not responsible for the utterances of any of the ministers. He was only agent for Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann in the case.

To other questions of Mr. Curtis the witness stated that so far the Edmonton & Yukon had built no track, and that he did not know how large its capital was, but he knew that Mackenzie & Mann money was behind it. On his arrival here he had told Col. Prior that the contract had been signed by this road and not by the Canadian Northern.

The \$2,000,000 purchase money for the Esquimalt & Nanaimo was on a head basis. He had had no previous dealings with Mr. Dunsuir about this, and had never suggested any traffic arrangement over the Esquimalt & Nanaimo. They might have undertaken to parallel it and still make connections with the Comox & Cape Scott, as the government particularly desired. The negotiations about the E. & N. began with his first visit to the Coast. Mr. Greenfield then left the witness stand.

Mr. Bond argued for some time for an adjournment of two or three days time to allow him to study the con-

a hand in the speechmaking, until the commissioner said that there was altogether too much interference. The place was more like a bear garden than a commission. Mr. Bond rose to state something—and the commissioner told him to "please sit down."

The commissioner then announced that he would examine some members of the government in the afternoon, and Mr. Bond said that he wished to reserve his right of cross-examination, and he renewed his arguments for an adjournment—**and the commissioner told him to "please sit down."**

The Commissioner—"Two or three months might suit you better. It is incumbent on me to see fair play to both parties before this commission, and here is a resolution in which gentlemen are branded with charges which the mover of the resolution characterizes as corrupt. They must either be cleared from these charges or the charges proven, without delay."

An adjournment was then taken until 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The court resumed at 2 o'clock, when a large number of spectators were present, many of them being professional men and some members of the legislature.

Mr. Cassidy called the Hon. Mr. Dunsuir as the next witness.

Before the Premier took the stand, Mr. Bond, on behalf of Mr. Curtis, represented to Mr. Justice Walkem that a bill which was of considerable importance to the Rossland constituency was coming up at the legislature that afternoon, and was preventing his client, Mr. Curtis, from attending the commission, for which reason he thought that an adjournment of the commission might be made. This being refused, the proceedings were continued.

Mr. Bond then continued his cross-examination of the Hon. Mr. Dunsuir regarding the documents to be produced, but could gain no further information regarding the existence of any except possibly a letter in Hon. Mr. Wells' department.

Mr. L. G. McQuade, president of the Victoria Board of Trade, then took the stand. He had signed a letter together with Messrs. Munroe and Todd, to the effect that they had seen some telegrams which had passed between Mr. Dunsuir and his associates in New York. These telegrams were then produced and identified. He and Messrs. Todd and Munroe had seen them in the Lands and Works offices when they had met the cabinet. At this meeting he had been convinced that the government was very sincere in its desire to bring the Canadian Northern into this city.

At that meeting Mr. Dunsuir had mentioned \$2,000,000 as the price of the E. & N. road.

To Mr. Bond—Mr. Prior had asked them to go over in order to be assured of his own bona fides in the matter, and also of the sincerity of the government. Besides the telegrams they had seen the contract signed by Wm. Mackenzie to build the Canadian Northern. He had not read it through, as it was rather long, but Mr. Todd had looked it over.

These two telegrams and the contract were all the documents that they had seen. On that occasion Mr. Greenfield was also present, and told them that he desired to bring the Canadian Northern down into this city over the E. & N. The Premier had also assured them of his desire to bring the road down into this city, and on such assurances as these and the documents which they had seen he had considered the letter which had been published before the recent election.

William Munroe was next called. He had been over with Mr. McQuade at the parliament buildings and quite agreed with what that gentleman had just said. He could only add further emphasis to the remarks about Mr. Dunsuir's desire to bring the road into Victoria. They had seen the telegrams, and afterwards, at the Driard, Mr. Greenshields had shown them the contract signed by Mr. Wm. Mackenzie, and had explained to them the method followed by the Canadian Northern in its big project. Regarding the E. & N., they had been told that Mr. Mann would not be satisfied with running powers, but wanted to buy it outright.

He had seen or heard nothing, however, which would suggest to him that Mr. Dunsuir was attempting to make something out of this contract.

In cross-examination by Mr. Bond, he said that he had gone over to this meeting at Mr. Todd's instance, as Col. Prior appeared to fear that the contract might be thought by some people to be simply a political dodge, and would offend their opinion as to the genuineness of the matter. No politics were discussed at the meeting. He had been very glad himself to have the opportunity of finding out something about it, and to find that it was really a genuine project, and that the government were sincere in their intentions about bringing a road in from the Yellowhead Pass to Victoria.

As to the charge of grave neglect in having employed Mr. Greenshields when he was already the solicitor of the Canadian Northern, he considered that Mr. Greenshields had been employed on behalf of the province towards securing better terms for the province from the Dominion government, and also for some aid for the New Westminster bridge. For this he had been paid \$2,000. But Mr. Greenshields had not been employed or paid for any services regarding the Canadian Northern railway.

The third paragraph of the charge made by Mr. Curtis, Mr. Dunsuir said, was not true. He had offered to give them his charter for the Cape Scott road practically for nothing, and the price asked for the E. & N. railway, as he had already stated, was far from being an excessive one.

A couple of letters were then put in by Mr. Cassidy, which referred to the telegrams and read as follows:

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New York, March 10th, 1902.

Hon. Jas. Dunsuir, Victoria, B. C.

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(Sd.) T. H. HUBBARD.

Victoria, B. C., March 8th, 1902.

Hon. Jas. Dunsuir, Victoria, B. C.

Your telegram eighth, cannot decide so important matter off hand without information. If immediate answer is asked must decline, but do you mean to say that proposition will be decided after full information and investigation?

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